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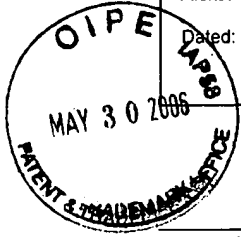
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For: KEYBOARD MUSICAL INSTRUMENT  
HAVING KEYS REGULATED WITH STABLE  
KEY BALANCE PIECES AND PROCESS FOR  
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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated March 3, 2006, for which a response is due on June 5, 2006 (the first business day following June 3, 2006), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.